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FYI for your review as well. Trying to get the right order of review here.

Suggestions on #4 appreciated.

Lisa

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Draft Responses to Epoch Times inquiry

Due 8/19/2015

1. Did the wastewater from the Red and Bonita mine get pushed into the Gold King Mine?

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2. What prompted the assessment - Was this a routine thing, consistent with the EPA's efforts to clean up other mines in the area?

This is from the fact sheet info taken from our website to create the history of GKM fact sheet:

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3. What was the deciding factor that led to the assessment on Aug. 5, 2015?

EPA was on site at the Red and Bonita mine installing a bulkhead. EPA determined that it would be an efficient use of crews and equipment that were already on site to begin the planned investigation of the Gold King Mine at the same time.

4. What is the plan going forward regarding the plethora of leaky mines in Silverton and throughout Colorado? Will Good Samaritans be deployed to continue the cleanup or will the EPA continue to lead the efforts?

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5. A previous study indicates this mine was considered a high priority for clean up. When was the last time it was assessed? Were there any prior attempts to clean it?

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